

RESOLUTION

URGING THE HAWAII STATE LEGISLATURE TO ENACT LEGISLATION THAT INCREASES THE SIZE OF THE OAHU METROPOLITAN PLANNING ORGANIZATION POLICY COMMITTEE BY ADDING ONE VOTING MEMBER EACH FROM ITS TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND ITS CITIZEN ADVISORY COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization ("OahuMPO") is a federally-mandated metropolitan planning organization that was formed in 1975 to ensure that existing and future federal, state, and local expenditures for transportation projects and programs are based on a comprehensive, cooperative, and continuing ("3-C") planning process; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to state law, the OahuMPO shall consist of a policy committee and appropriate staff, and may form a citizens' advisory group to present technical or other expert opinions or facts to the OahuMPO (Sec. 279E-3, HRS; Sec. 279-E7(14), HRS); and

WHEREAS, the OahuMPO has formed the Citizen Advisory Committee ("CAC") and the Technical Advisory Committee ("TAC") to provide needed public and technical input, respectively, to the Policy Committee; and

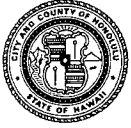
WHEREAS, the OahuMPO Policy Committee currently does not have voting members to properly represent the CAC and TAC in its decision-making process; and

WHEREAS, federal law does not specify or restrict the number of voting members the OahuMPO Policy Committee is entitled to, but merely states the following:

"Each metropolitan planning organization that serves an area designated as a transportation management area, when designated or redesignated under this subsection, shall consist of – (A) local elected officials; (B) officials of public agencies that administer or operate major modes of transportation in the metropolitan area; and (C) appropriate State officials" (23 USC Sec. 134(d)(2));

and

WHEREAS, in accordance with Sec. 279E-3, HRS, the OahuMPO Policy Committee currently consists of thirteen members, but during the past has had different numbers of members, including nineteen when it was first established in 1975; and



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WHEREAS, the council finds that the OahuMPO Policy Committee is not taking full advantage of the needed input of the CAC and TAC, and will not fully appreciate the efforts and recommendations of those advisory committees until they are represented through membership in the OahuMPO Policy Committee; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED by the Council of the City and County of Honolulu that the Hawaii State Legislature is urged to enact legislation to increase the size of the Oahu Metropolitan Planning Organization Policy Committee by adding one voting member each from the OahuMPO Technical Advisory Committee and the OahuMPO Citizen Advisory Committee; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Hawaii State Legislature is also urged to specifically name the chairpersons of the CAC and TAC respectively to the voting membership of the OahuMPO Policy Committee; and



CITY COUNCIL

CITY AND COUNTY OF HONOLULU
HONOLULU, HAWAII

No. 11-92

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BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED that copies of this Resolution be transmitted to the President of the Hawaii State Senate; the Speaker of the Hawaii State House of Representatives; the Governor of the state of Hawaii; the Chairpersons of the OahuMPO Policy Committee, Citizen Advisory Committee, and Technical Advisory Committee, c/o OahuMPO, Ocean View Center, 707 Richards Street, Suite 200, Honolulu, Hawaii 96813; and Mr. Leslie T. Rogers, Regional Administrator, the Federal Transit Administration Region IX, 201 Mission Street, Suite 1650, San Francisco, CA 94105-1839.

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